

CITY OF COLUMBUS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
September 15, 2014
6:30 P.M.

ATTENDANCE

The City Council of Columbus, Kansas met September 15, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers presided over by Mayor Grant Spieth. Council members present: Dale Burton, Jerri Burton, Barbara Capron, Mike Leighty, Marion Morgan, Thomas Niegisch, Alvin Patterson, Drew Richards, Dewey Smith, Gary Smith. Council members absent: None.

Alvin Patterson led the Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONDEMNATION HEARING MINUTES

Burton Jerri moved to approve Condemnation Hearing minutes from September 02, 2014 as written. Leighty seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

BUDGET HEARING MINUTES

Niegisch moved to approve Budget Hearing minutes from September 02, 2014 as written. Leighty seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Leighty moved to approve Council Meeting minutes from September 02, 2014 as written. Niegisch seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 14-361

Niegisch moved to approve Appropriation Ordinance 14-361 as presented. Burton Jerri seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

VISITOR – SONJA DULEY

Sonja Duley representing the Columbus Chamber of Commerce came before the council to seek permission to close the 100 block of Maple Street from Kansas to Pennsylvania, Friday October 10, 2014 for the Columbus Day Bean Feed and scooter race. The festivities will run 4:30 p.m. to approximately 6:15 p.m. The Chamber hopes to draw more people to downtown Columbus by bringing the event back to the city square.

CLOSE MAPLE STREET

Burton Dale moved to close Maple Street from Kansas to Pennsylvania, Friday October 10, 2014 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. for the Columbus Day Bean Feed and scooter races. Smith Dewey seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

ORDINANCE 1333

Niegisch moved to approve Ordinance 1333 granting a wavier and exception to City Code for Los Lunas Mexican Restaurant for the sale and consumption of cereal malt beverages. Burton Dale seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: Patterson. Motion carried 9-1.

CLOSE WALNUT STREET

Burton Dale moved to close Walnut Street from Kansas to Indiana, Wednesday, October 1, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. to allow Cherokee County Health Department to conduct a drive through flu clinic. Smith Dewey seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Burton Dale called for a ten minute executive session at 7:17 p.m. for personnel matters of non-elected personnel with Council, Mayor, City Attorney and City Clerk in attendance. Patterson seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

REGULAR SESSION 7:27 P.M.

HIRE POLICE OFFICER – MATTHEW HATFIELD

Morgan moved to hire Matthew Hatfield for the position of Police Officer II with a starting wage of \$11.28 per hour, Range 9 Step B per Appendix A-1 providing he passes all pre-employment testing. Burton Jerri seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

HIRE POLICE OFFICER – GEORGE STUBBLEFIELD

Morgan moved to hire George Stubblefield for the position of Police Officer I with a starting wage of \$10.31 per hour Range 8 Step A per Appendix A-1 providing he passes all pre-employment testing. Burton Jerri seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

STEP INCREASE – TODD HART

Morgan moved to approve step increase for Todd Hart, Sanitation Truck Driver, from \$10.54 to \$10.80 per hour, Range 9 Step D effective 9/16/2014. Capron seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

STEP INCREASE – ROGER JOHNSTON

Morgan moved to approve step increase for Roger Johnston, Police Lieutenant, from \$18.27 to \$18.70 per hour Range 13 Step L, per Appendix A-1 effective 9/15/2014. Burton Jerri seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

LONGEVITY PAY – JOE ALLISON

Morgan moved to approve longevity pay for Joe Allison, Animal Control Officer, of \$354.12 payable on the first payroll of December 2014. Burton Dale seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

LONGEVITY PAY – ROD BOCK

Morgan moved to approve longevity pay for Rod Bock, Fire Driver, of \$457.52 payable on the first payroll of December 2014. Burton Jerri seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

LONGEVITY PAY – TERRI KERSHAW

Morgan moved to approve longevity pay for Terri Kershaw, Municipal Court Clerk, of \$381.26 payable on the first payroll of December 2014. Burton Dale seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Morgan called for a fifteen minute executive session at 7:32 p.m. for personnel matters of non-elected personnel with Council, Mayor and City Attorney in attendance. Niegisch seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

REGULAR SESSION 7:47 P.M.

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 10, 2014

Capron moved to approve the Special Meeting minutes from September 10, 2014 as written. Burton Jerri seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Abstain: Burton Dale. Motion carried 9-0-1.

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 11, 2014

Leighty moved to approve the Special Meeting minutes from September 11, 2014 as written. Capron seconded the motion. Voting aye: Capron, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Abstain: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Leighty. Motion carried 7-0-3.

CONSTITUTION WEEK PROCLAMATION

Mayor Spieth read a proclamation declaring September 17 through September 23 Constitution Week celebrating the 227th anniversary of the drafting of the United States Constitution.

POST CAUTION SIGNS

Burton Dale moved to place Caution Children Playing signs between First and Fifth Streets on Sycamore Street. Burton Jerri seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

POST SPEED LIMIT SIGNS

Burton Dale moved to place speed limit signs on Oak Street at Kansas and High School intersections. Leighty seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Leighty. Voting nay: Capron, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Motion failed 3-7.

ADJOURNMENT

Niegisch moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 p.m. Capron seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried: 10-0.

Meetings:

Water & Sewer

Monday September 22, 2014 @ 6:00 p.m.

Police & Licensing

Monday September 22, 2014 @ 6:30 p.m.


Cherri Chancellor
Cherri Chancellor City Clerk